

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

EFS&T Dept. – Wildlife –Conservation of Wild Animals – Establishment of **Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation under Section 38 X of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972** as amended in the Wildlife (Protection) Amendment Act, 2006 – Sanction of Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 37

Dated: 29.07.2015

Read the following:-

1. From the Member Secretary National Conservation Authority Letter No. 3(1)-51/2005-PT, Dt: 05.10.2006.
2. From the Member Secretary National Conservation Authority Letter F. No. 15-1/2006-NTCA, Dt: 05.01.2007.
3. From the Chief Wildlife Warden & Spl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (Dev.), Telangana, Hyderabad Lr.Rc.No.340/2014/WL-2, Dt:28.7.2014.

ORDER:

In reference 1st read above, the Member Secretary, National Tiger Conservation Authority, while furnishing a copy of the Wildlife (Protection) Amendment Act, 2006 (Act No.39 of 2006), which has come into force on 04.09.2006, has requested the State Government to take needful action.

2. The Member Secretary, National Tiger Conservation Authority in the reference 2nd read above, has informed that based on the decision taken in the first meeting of the National Tiger Conservation Authority, several directives were issued and the Member Secretary has requested the State Government for establishing Tiger Conservation Foundation for each Tiger Reserve within the State in order to facilitate and support their management for conservation of Tiger and bio-diversity and to take initiatives in eco-development by involvement of people in such development. The Tiger Conservation Foundation shall, have the objectives indicated in section 38X (2) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act as amended by (Act No. 39 of 2006).

3. In reference 3rd read above, Chief Wildlife Warden has submitted Proposals for establishment of **"Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation"** and requested the Government for issue of Orders.

4. Government after careful consideration, decided to establish **"Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation"** for Telangana State **under section 38 X of the Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972** as amended in Wildlife (Protection) Amendment Act, 2006 to tiger reserve within the State in order to facilitate and support their management for conservation of Tigers and bio-diversity and, to take initiatives in eco-development with the involvement of people in such development process and, also for expeditious utilization of the funds released by Government of India, as well as State Government.

5. Government further, hereby accord permission as required under section 6(2) (b) of the Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act (Telangana Adaptation) Order, 2014, to register a society with the name **"Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation"**.

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6. The memorandum of Association of the "Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation" and the Bye-laws of the society are appended to this order.

7. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Telangana, Hyderabad is directed to take necessary action on registration of the "**Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation**" under the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act (Telangana Adoption) Order, 2014.

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O. No.6246/206/15/EBS.VIII, Dt: 25.05.2015 and Revenue Department vide their U.O. No.10207/Regn-II/2015, Dt:08.07.2015.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

RAJESHWAR TIWARI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Chief Wildlife Warden, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad

The Addl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL), Telangana, Hyderabad.

The I/c Field Director, Amrabad Tiger Reserve, Hyderabad

The Director General, Stamps & Registration, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

Copy to:-

The Account General, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The Pay & Accounts Officer, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The Member Secretary, National Tiger Conservation Authority, Bikaner House, Annexe-V, Shajahan Road, New Delhi – 110 011 (With Covering Letter).

The Revenue (Regn.II) Dept., / Law (D) Dept.

PS to Hon'ble Minister (F&E)

PS to Prl. Secy., EFS&T Dept.

PA to Spl. Secretary, EFS&T Dept.

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SECTION OFFICER

AMRABAD TIGER RESERVE TIGER CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

I
MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE:

The Tiger conservation foundation is formed in compliance to the directions of the National Tiger Conservation Authority of India while according notification No. S.O. 1008 (E), Dt: 22.06.2006 published in Gazette of India (Extra Ordinary) regarding the regulation of Tiger Conservation Foundation in pursuance of Section 38 X of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 (53 of 1972). A committee is to be constituted under the Chairmanship of the I/c Field Director of Amrabad Tiger Reserve and registered under the Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act, 2001 to monitor the utilization of funds deposited with the said society.

- 1. Name of the foundation:-** The name of the foundation shall be **"AMRABAD TIGER RESERVE TIGER CONSERVATION FOUNDATION"**
- 2. Registered Office:-** The registered Office of the Foundation, viz., Tiger Conservation Foundation of Amrabad Tiger Reserve shall be situated at the Office of the Addl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, WLM Hyderabad situated in 3rd floor of Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad. The working hours of the Foundation shall be from 10.30 A.M to 5.00 P.M except on Sundays, Second Saturdays and other public holidays.
- 3. Objectives of the Foundation:**
 - (a) To facilitate ecological, economic, social and cultural development in the Tiger Reserve and adjoining landscape.
 - (b) To provide support to safeguard the natural environment in the Tiger Reserve and relevant places.
 - (c) To facilitate the creation of and or maintenance of such assets as felt necessary for fulfilling the above said objectives.
 - (d) To solicit technical, financial, social and other support required for the activities of the foundation for achieving the above said objectives from different sources permitted by law.
 - (e) To receive funds from Government of India, Govt. of Telangana State or any other organisation and deposit the same in the Foundation account for development of the Tiger Reserve.
 - (f) To support Eco-Tourism, eco development, research, environmental education, training, management and advisory aspects in the above related fields to support the implementing agency and
 - (g) Anything incidental or ancillary to the above for furthering the above said objectives
4. With a view to facilitate the Foundation's activities for achieving its objectives, the Foundation may:

- (a) Implement the development plans and schemes as well as Maintenance works approved by the competent authority.
- (b) Receive funds from Government of India, Govt. of Telangana State or any other organisation and deposit the same in the Foundation account for utilizing for development of the Tiger Reserve.
- (c) Pay out of the funds belonging to Foundation or out of any particular part of such fund, all expenses that are incidental to the formation of the Foundation and management and administration of the Foundation.
- (d) Subscribe or otherwise assist any charitable, benevolent, Scientific, national, public or any other institution, the objectives or purposes of which are consistent with the objectives of the Foundation.
- (e) Make donations to such persons or institutions in such cases whether in cash or any other assets as may be, that are directly or indirectly conducive to any of the objectives of the Foundations or otherwise expedient and in particular to remunerate any persons, a body or corporation or NGO introduced to or assisting the Foundation.
- (f) Provide for the welfare of the employees and to make payments towards insurance or towards treatment for the injuries sustained during the working in the Tiger Reserve.
- (g) Invest in, construct and equip laboratories to conduct research and experiments on wild animal health and behaviour.
- (h) Receive donations from persons/institutions either in India or abroad in cash or kind which directly or indirectly are conducive to any of the objectives of the Foundation or otherwise expedient.
- (i) Do all such acts and things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives are directly or indirectly beneficial to the Foundation in promotion of it's objectives subject to the overall control of the Government and in conformity with section (3) of Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act (Telangana Adoption) Order, 2014.
- (j) Open account or accounts with any nationalized or scheduled bank or banks and to pay into and to withdraw money from such account or accounts.

5. Governing Body:

The Governing Body of the Foundation shall consist of the following members, namely:-

Sl. No	Official Designation	Designation in the Foundation
1.	Minister in-charge of Forest & Wildlife in the State	Chairperson/Chairman
2	Principal Secretary or the Secretary EFS&T Dept.	Member
3	Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF)	Member
4	Field Director of the Tiger Reserve	Member
5	Deputy Directors / DFOs of the Tiger Reserve	Member
6	Prominent Scientist in the field	Member
7	Qualified experts in the Field	Member
8	Member of Legislative Assembly	Member
9	District Panchayat Representative of the area Jurisdiction	Member
10	Executive Committee member	Member
11	Chief Wildlife Warden	Member Secretary

6. Executive committee of the foundation:

The Executive committee of the foundation shall consist of the following members, namely:-

Sl. No	Official Designation	Designation in the Foundation
1	Field Director of the Tiger Reserve	Chairperson
2	Representative of Eco-Development Committees working in the Tiger Reserve, to be nominated in the Governing Body	Member
3	Representative of Eco-Development Committees working in the Tiger Reserve, to be nominated in the Governing Body	Member
4	Member of Frontline staff of Tiger Reserve	Member
5	Member of Frontline staff of Tiger Reserve	Member
6	Deputy Director / Divisional Forest Officer	Member Secretary

7. **Finance Committee:** The Finance Committee will assist the Foundation in approving the estimates, procurement, execution of works etc., as per Telangana Financial Code, Telangana Forest Code and Government Orders issued from time to time. The Following are the members of the Committee:-

- 1) Chief Wild life Warden, Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 2) Addl. Prl Chief Conservator of Forests (WL), O/o PCCF, Telangana.
- 3) Field Director, Project Tiger, AMRABAD TIGER RESERVE.
- 4) Chief Accounts Officer, O/o PCCF, Telangana.

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

APPENDIX TO G.O. Ms. No.37, ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT, Dated:29.07.2015

Bye-laws of the Foundation

- 1) **Name of the Society:** Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation.
- 2) **Address:** O/o Addl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests WLM Hyderabad I/c Field Director (Project Tiger), 3rd floor Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad – 500 004
- 3) **Area of the foundation:** Whole of Amrabad Tiger Reserve.
- 4) **Short title:** These bye-laws shall be called the "Bye-laws of the Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger **Conservation** Foundation".
- 5) **Definitions :** In these bye-laws and Memorandum of Association, unless the context otherwise requires,
 - (a) "*Foundation*" means the Tiger Conservation Foundation of Telangana.
 - (b) "*Government*" means the Government of Telangana.
 - (c) "*Chairman / Chairperson*" mean the Chairman / Chairperson of the Foundation.
 - (d) "*Governing Board*" means the body entrusted under these rules with the administration and management of the affairs of the Foundation.
 - (e) "*Member*" means member of the Foundation.
 - (f) "*Finance Committee*" means Finance committee of the foundation.
 - (g) "*Year*" means the period of 1st April to 31st March of the succeeding year as resolved by the Governing Board with the previous sanction of the Registrar.
 - (h) "*Act*" means the Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act, 2001.
 - (i) "*Member Secretary*" means Conservator of Forests and Field Director (Project Tiger), Amrabad Tiger Reserve.
 - (j) "Project Tiger, Amrabad" means Amrabad Tiger Reserve.

6) Powers and Function of the Governing Board:

- (a) The Governing Board shall have all such powers and shall perform all such functions as are necessary to proper for the achievement and furtherance of the objectives of the Foundation.
- (b) The Governing Board shall approve the details, plans and proposals for development of Tiger habitats in the State. The grants made by the Central and State Government for any specific scheme to be implemented by the Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation of Telangana State through the Government order can be utilized directly by the Amrabad Tiger Reserve Tiger Conservation Foundation as per terms of the Government orders.
- (c) The Governing Board is empowered to receive grants-in-aid, gifts, donations and contribution in kind or other forms of assistance from any source or sources and to collect entry fee and any other income derived by the Foundation.

- (d) In the event of inadequacy of the financial resources available for the maintenance and development of Tiger habitats (Protected Areas), it will be brought to the notice of the Government for finding out ways and means for enhancing the financial resources.
- (e) The Foundation shall be a body corporate by the name aforesaid, having perpetual succession and common seal and the said name sue or be sued.
- (f) The Governing Board may delegate any of the specific rights, powers and duties and assign such functions and responsibilities as are considered necessary in the interest of the Foundation to the Finance Committee or to the Member Secretary or to the Field Director (Project Tiger).
- (g) The Member Secretary shall be responsible for the management of the whole affairs of the Foundation, subject to control and direction of the Governing Board.
- (h) The Governing Board is empowered to negotiate, enter into and execute agreements, contracts on behalf of the Foundation and vary and rescind such agreements, contracts and documents.
- (i) All decisions of Governing Board of Foundation shall be approved by the Government and any directions issued by the Government from time to time shall be carried out by the Foundation. Government will have power to annul any of the decisions of Governing Board.

7) Meeting of Governing Board: A meetings of the Governing Board shall be held at least once in six months at such time and place as the Chairman /Chairperson may from time to time determine for the disposal of the business of the Foundation. Meeting will be called by the Member Secretary on the direction of the Chairman/Chairperson.

8) Special Meetings: The Chairman / Chairperson of the Foundation may convene a special meeting of the Governing Board to consider any matter of special importance or urgency.

9) Notice of the meetings: Every meeting of the Governing Board shall be convened by the Member Secretary duly issuing a notice well in advance as required in the provisions of the Act.

10) Quorum: Half the number of Members of the Governing Board including the Chairman / Chairperson present in person shall constitute the quorum for any meeting of the Governing Board and to pass any resolutions.

11) Presiding Officer: The Chairman / Chairperson of the Foundation shall preside over all meetings of the Governing Board.

12) Voting: In case of difference of the opinion amongst the Members on any matter under discussion in a meeting the opinion of the majority shall prevail and when there is tie, the Chairman / Chairperson shall have the casting vote.

13) Powers, rights and duties of the Finance Committee: The Finance Committee shall meet whenever required for the business of the Foundation.

14) Accounts of the Foundation: The funds of the Foundation shall be deposited in one or more accounts opened with one or more nationalized banks. The bank account/accounts of the Foundation will be operated and maintained by the Field Director (Project Tiger).

15) Financial Year: The Accounting Year for the Foundation will be from 1st April to the 31st March of succeeding Year. The annual income and expenditure accounts and balance sheet of the Society shall be prepared by the Field Director (Project Tiger) and through Member Secretary it will be presented to the Governing Board within 5 months of the closing of the financial year.

16) Audit: The Annual Accounts of the Foundation shall be audited by the Internal Audit Party of Telangana Forest Department and the Accountant General, Telangana. The audit party shall have access to the books of accounts and vouchers of the Foundation and shall be provided with all the information and explanation required by them for the purpose of audit.

17) Legal Proceedings: In all legal proceedings the Foundation shall be represented by its Member Secretary.

18) Amendment to the Memorandum of Association: Any amendment to the Memorandum of Association will be carried out in accordance with the procedure laid down under the Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act., 2001.

19) Dissolving the Foundation: Under section 25, of the Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act, the properties of the Foundation remaining at the time of dissolution are to be given to the society of similar objects.

20) The income and funds of the Foundation shall only be utilized to achieve the objectives of the Foundation and no portion of it shall be utilized for the payment to the members of the Governing Board or Financial Committee by way of profit, interest and dividend or in any other form except remuneration, if any allowed by the Government.

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